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SUBJECT: OLSZOWSKI' S DESIRE TO VISIT VATICAN

REF: WARSAW 2702

1. DURING JUNE 15 DISCUSSION WITH VATICAN FOREIGN MINISTRY
OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR EASTERN EUROPE, ILLING HAD OPPORTUNITY
TO INQUIRE ABOUT POSTPONEMENT OLSZOWSKI' S VISIT TO ROME. SOURCE
SAID THAT VATICAN IS CONVINCED THAT OLSZOWSKI WANTS TO VISIT
ROME ONLY AT SUCH TIME AS HE CAN OPPORTUNELY CALL ON POPE
PAUL. DUE TO PRESENT HEIGHTENED CHURCH- STATE FRICTION IN POLAND,
OLSZOWSKI DOES NOT WISH TO SEE POPE AT THIS TIME, WHICH WOULD
TEND TO WEAKEN GOP HAND VIS- A- VIS POLISH EPISCOPATE. SOURCE
SAID THAT VATICAN' S CONSIDERED VIEW IS THAT OLSZOWSKI' S VISIT
POLTPONED SOLELY FOR THIS REASON. VATICAN WAS ENTIRELY WILLING
TO RECEIVE OLSZOWSKI IN JUNE, A POSITION OF WHICH GOP WELL AWARE.

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2. SOURCE SAID THAT ANY INTIMATION THAT MEMBERS OF POLISH HIERARCHY HAD ATTEMPTED TO DISSUADE POPE FROM RECEIVING OLSZOWSKI AT THIS TIME IS ABSURD.

3. VATICAN BELIEVES SOVIET UNION IS ORCHESTRATING LATEST HEIGHTENED ANTI- RELIGIOUS CAMPAIGN THROUGHOUT BLOC. EVEN ITALIAN LEFTIST PRESS HAS TAKEN UP THE CUDGEL, THEY REPORT. VOLPE

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